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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Preliminary to the examination of this application, please enter the following amendments:

In the Specification:

On page 97, in the first paragraph, please amend the two equations to read:


$$\text{ref}(t) = Ie^{-\pi} \cos(\omega_d t - \theta) \quad t \geq 0,$$

$$\text{ref}(t) = Ie^{\pi} \cos(\omega_d t - \theta) \quad t \leq 0$$

REMARKS

The equations on page 97 of the specification have been amended in order to correct two typographical errors in the application as filed. These amendments are supported by